

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Newberry High Newberry

Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 826

Principal: Barry J. Rosenberg, Ed.D. Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett

Board Chair: Mr. Don Saylor

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Good	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	Below Average	Average	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
5	4	12	1	1

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are High Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School			ools with Like Ours
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Passed 2 subtests (%)	64.5%	67.3%	70.6%	73.4%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	20.0%	12.4%	16.7%	14.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	15.5%	20.3%	13.2%	12.6%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
83.5%	92.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE						
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours				
Number of students	180	177				
Number of Diplomas	146	128				
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END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008								
% of students scoring 70 or above on: Our High School Students L								
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	65.5%	67.0%						
English 1	49.4%	53.4%						
Physical Science	39.5%	39.0%						
All Tests	50.8%	51.9%						

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2007)								
South Carolina		31	44	23	2			
Nation		27	43	27	2			
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient,	and Advance	d			
Below Basic	Basic	☐ Proficient	Advanced					

MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)									
South Carolina	29	39	24	7					
Nation	30	39	24	7					
	nt, and Advar	nced							
■ Below Basic □ E	Basic Proficient	■ Advanced							

SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)								
South Carolina		46	31	21	2			
Nation		43	30	24	3			
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Profici	ent, and A	dvanced			
Below Basic	Basic	☐ Proficient	■ Advanced					

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

Newberry High [Newberry] SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=826)				
Retention rate	3.8%	Down from 5.3%	5.2%	6.1%
Attendance rate	93.6%	Down from 95.4%	94.6%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	7.1%	Down from 10.5%	7.3%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	16.6%	Up from 15.9%	14.2%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 0.8%	1.2%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	5.8%	Down from 6.8%	5.5%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	25.9%	N/A	27.7%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	8.5%	Down from 44.4%	29.3%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	6.8%	Down from 7.1%	4.1%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	8.5%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	576	Up from 211	519	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	78.2%	Up from 76.1%	78.1%	79.6%
Teachers (n=54)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	44.4%	Down from 46.0%	56.4%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	48.1%	Down from 60.0%	64.2%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	12.2%	Up from 11.9%	11.7%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.0%	Up from 76.8%	83.8%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.4%	Up from 95.0%	95.5%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	\$42,426	Down 1.5%	\$45,931	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.7%	Up from 1.0%	6.4%	4.3%
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.5 to 1	Down from 22.6 to 1	24.6 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8%	Up from 88.5%	88.9%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$7,492	Up 3.3%	\$7,907	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	51.0%	Down from 52.7%	52.7%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	59.6%	Up from 59.5%	60.5%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Below Average	No Change	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Average	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	Average
% of AYP objectives met	88.2%		88.2%	90.5%

^{*} Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	139	39
Percent satisfied with learning environment	71.1%	69.8%	76.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	78.3%	71.3%	76.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	41.3%	83.3%	78.4%

^{*}Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Newberry High School's 2008 graduating class earned over \$2.5 million in scholarships and grants. The 2008 graduating class will be entering many colleges, universities, technical schools, the military, and employment opportunities in the future. Rebecca Carlson, our Valedictorian, received a commission to attend the United States Naval Academy.

Athletics continue to play an important role at NHS. Several teams attained region championships, and the Golf Team earned the Upper State Title. Nearly 60% of our students participate in extracurricular sports activities.

Newberry High School continues to move forward academically with significant improvement in HSAP, EOC, and graduation rates. In the past year, NHS achieved Adequate Yearly Progress for the first time in its history. We are particularly proud of the fact that we are continuing to close the Achievement Gap among our diverse student population.

Our School Improvement Council has played a key role in developing long-range plans for NHS, specifically in the recruitment and retention of teachers. This has paid big dividends with a dramatic increase in the retention of highly-qualified teachers.

We continue to offer our students a quality educational experience and move forward with our motto, "Failure Is Not An Option", as our expectation. We look forward to the coming years, as we continue to raise the bar for all students and engage the entire community in our mission.

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